

Instructions for Form 3520

Annual Return To Report Transactions With Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Changes To Note

Form 3520 is now:

- Filed annually by U.S. persons to report certain transfers to foreign trusts. Information on transfers to foreign trusts was previously reportable by the 90th day after a transfer.
- Used by U.S. persons that are treated as owners of any portion of a foreign trust for U.S. income tax purposes under sections 671 through 679 (the "grantor trust rules") to report certain information.
- Used by U.S. persons to provide information about distributions received from foreign trusts.
- Used by U.S. persons to provide information about certain gifts received from foreign persons.

In addition, penalties have been substantially increased. See **Penalties** on page 4.

Also, see When and Where To File below, and Notice 97-34, 1997-25 I.R.B. 22.

General Instructions

Purpose of Form

U.S. persons file Form 3520 to report:

- · Certain transactions with foreign trusts, and
- Receipt of certain large gifts or bequests from certain foreign persons.

A separate Form 3520 must be filed for transactions with **each** foreign trust.

Who Must File

File Form 3520 if:

ÿ1. You are the responsible party for reporting a reportable event after August 20, 1996, or you held an outstanding obligation of a related foreign trust (or a person related to the trust) issued after August 20, 1996, that you treated as a qualified obligation during the current tax year. Responsible party, reportable event, and qualified obligation are defined on page 3.

Complete the first part of page 1 and the relevant portions of Part I. See the instructions for Part I.

ÿ2. You are a U.S. person who, for taxable years beginning after 1995, is treated as the owner of any part of the assets of a foreign trust under the grantor trust rules.

Complete the first part of page 1 and Part II. See instructions for Part II.

ÿ3. You are a U.S. person who, after August 20, 1996, received a distribution from a foreign trust, or a related foreign trust held an outstanding obligation issued by you

(or a person related to you) that you treated as a **qualified obligation** (defined on page 3) during the current tax year.

Complete the first part of page 1 and Part III. See the instructions for Part III.

- ÿ4. You are a U.S. person who, after August 20, 1996, received either:
- ÿa. More than \$100,000 from a nonresident alien individual or a foreign estate (including foreign persons related to that nonresident alien individual or foreign estate) that you treated as gifts or bequests, or
- ÿb. More than \$10,000 from foreign corporations or foreign partnerships (including foreign persons related to such foreign corporations or foreign partnerships) that you treated as gifts.

Complete the first part of page 1 and Part IV. See the instructions for Part IV.

Note: You may also be required to file **Form TD F 90–22.1**, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.

Exceptions to filing Form 3520: Form 3520 does not have to be filed to report the following transactions:

- Transfers to foreign trusts described in sections 402(b), 404(a)(4), or 404A.
- Transfers to foreign trusts that have a current determination letter from the IRS recognizing their status as exempt from income taxation under section 501(c)(3).
- Transfers to, distributions from, and ownership of Canadian Registered Retirement Savings Plans if the trust would qualify for treaty benefits under the Convention Between the United States of America and Canada with Respect to Taxes on Income and on Capital. However, if for any taxable year you rely on a tax treaty with Canada to avoid information reporting, you are required to disclose this position pursuant to section 6114. See **Pub. 901**, U.S. Tax Treaties.
- Distributions from foreign trusts that are taxable as compensation for services rendered (within the meaning of section 672(f)(2)(B) and the regulations thereunder), so long as the recipient reports the distribution as compensation income on its applicable Federal income tax return.
- Distributions from foreign trusts to domestic trusts that have a current determination letter from the IRS recognizing their status as exempt from income taxation under section 501(c)(3).

When and Where To File

In general, Form 3520 is due on the date that your income tax return is due, including extensions. Attach the form to your income tax return. In addition, send a copy to the Internal Revenue Service Center, Philadelphia, PA 19255.

Alternatively, for the taxable year that includes August 20, 1996, Form 3520 may be filed under one of the following procedures:

- ÿ1. File the form with the Internal Revenue Service Center, Philadelphia, PA 19255, no later than November 15, 1997, or
- ÿ2. Attach the form to your timely filed (including extensions) income tax return for the first taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1997, provided your income tax return (including an amended income tax return) for the taxable year that includes August 20, 1996, takes into account the items (if any) reflected on the form that would affect your income tax liability (for example, any gain recognized by you as a result of a section 1057 election, or any interest charge or additional tax resulting from a trust distribution). In addition, at the time the original is filed, send a copy of the form to the Internal Revenue Service Center, Philadelphia, PA 19255.

A Form 3520 must have all required attachments to be considered complete.

Joint Returns

Two transferors or grantors of the same foreign trust, or two U.S. beneficiaries of the same foreign trust, may file a joint Form 3520, but only if they file a joint income tax return.

Definitions

A **distribution** is any gratuitous transfer of money or other property from a trust, whether or not the trust is treated as owned by another person under the grantor trust rules, and without regard to whether the recipient is designated as a beneficiary by the terms of the trust. A distribution includes the receipt of trust corpus and the receipt of a gift or bequest described in section 663(a).

A distribution also includes constructive transfers from a trust. For example, if charges you make on a credit card are paid by a foreign trust or guaranteed or secured by the assets of a foreign trust, the amount charged will be treated as a distribution to you by the foreign trust. Similarly, if you write checks on a foreign trust's bank account, the amount will be treated as a distribution.

Also, if you receive a payment from a foreign trust in exchange for property transferred to the trust or services rendered to the trust, and the fair market value (FMV) of the payment received exceeds the FMV of the property transferred or services rendered, the excess will be treated as a distribution to you.

For example:

- If you sell stock with a FMV of \$100 to a foreign trust and receive \$150 in exchange, you have received a distribution of \$50.
- Similarly, if you receive \$100 from the trust for services performed by you for the trust, and the services have a FMV of \$20, you have received a distribution of \$80.

See the instructions for Part I, Schedule A, and Part III, for special rules with respect to obligations made to, or received from, a foreign trust.

A **foreign trust** is any trust other than a domestic trust. A domestic trust is any trust if:

ÿ1. A court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust, and

ÿ2. One or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

A **grantor** is any person who creates a trust or transfers cash or other property to a trust. A grantor includes any person treated as the owner of any part of a foreign trust's assets under sections 671 through 679, excluding section 678.

A **grantor trust** is any trust to the extent that the assets of the trust are treated as owned by a person other than the trust. See the **grantor trust rules** (defined below). A part of the trust may be treated as a grantor trust to the extent that only a portion of the trust assets are owned by a person other than the trust.

The **grantor trust rules** are contained in subpart E of Part I of subchapter J (sections 671 through 679).

A **gratuitous transfer** to a foreign trust is any transfer to the trust other than (i) a transfer for FMV, or (ii) a corporate or partnership distribution. A transfer of property to a trust may be considered a gratuitous transfer without regard to whether the transfer is a gift for gift tax purposes (see Chapter 12 of Subtitle B of the Code).

For purposes of this determination, if a U.S. person contributed property to a trust in exchange for any type of interest in the trust, such interest in the trust will be disregarded in determining whether FMV has been received. In addition, a U.S. person will not be treated as making a transfer for FMV merely because the transferor is deemed to recognize gain on the transaction.

If you transfer property to a foreign trust in exchange for an obligation of the trust (or a person related to the trust), it will be a gratuitous transfer unless the obligation is a **qualified obligation** (defined on page 3).

Gross reportable amount is:

- The gross value of property involved in the creation of a foreign trust or the transfer of property to a foreign trust (including a transfer by reason of death);
- The gross value of any portion of a foreign trust treated as owned by a U.S. person under the grantor trust rules or any part of a foreign trust that is included in the gross estate of a U.S. citizen or resident;
- The gross value of assets deemed transferred at the time a domestic trust to which a U.S. citizen or resident previously transferred property becomes a foreign trust, provided such U.S. citizen or resident is alive at the time the trust becomes a foreign trust (see section 679(a)(5)); or
- The gross amount of distributions received from a foreign trust.

Gross value is the FMV of property as determined under section 2031 and the regulations thereunder as if the owner had died on the valuation date. Although formal appraisals are not generally required, you should keep contemporaneous records of how you arrived at your good faith estimate.

A guarantee:

- Includes any arrangement under which a person, directly or indirectly, assures, on a conditional or unconditional basis, the payment of another's obligation;
- Encompasses any form of credit support, and includes a commitment to make a capital contribution to the debtor or otherwise maintains its financial viability; or
- Includes an arrangement reflected in a "comfort letter," regardless of whether the arrangement gives rise to a legally enforceable obligation. If an arrangement is contingent upon the occurrence of an event, in

determining whether the arrangement is a guarantee, you must assume that the event has occurred.

A **nongrantor trust** is any trust to the extent that the assets of the trust are not treated as owned by a person other than the trust. Thus, a nongrantor trust is treated as a taxable entity. A trust may be treated as a nongrantor trust with respect to only a portion of the trust assets. See the grantor trust rules.

An **owner** of a foreign trust is the person that is treated as owning any of the assets of a foreign trust pursuant to the grantor trust rules.

A **qualified obligation**, for purposes of this form, is any obligation if:

- ÿ1. The obligation is reduced to writing by an express written agreement,
- ÿ2. The term of the obligation does not exceed 5 years (including options to renew and rollovers) and it is repaid within the 5-year term,
- ÿ3. All payments on the obligation are denominated in U.S. dollars,
- ÿ4. The yield to maturity of the obligation is not less than 100% of the applicable Federal rate under section 1274(d) for the day on which the obligation is issued and not greater than 130% of the applicable Federal rate,
- ÿ5. The U.S. person agrees to extend the period for assessment of any income or transfer tax attributable to the transfer and any consequential income tax changes for each year that the obligation is outstanding, to a date not earlier than 3 years after the maturity date of the obligation, unless the maturity date of the obligation does not extend beyond the end of the U.S. person's taxable year and is paid within such period (this is done on Part I, Schedule A, and Part III, as applicable), and
- ÿ6. The U.S. person reports the status of the note, including principal and interest payments, on Part I, Schedule A, and Part III, as applicable, for every year that the loan is outstanding.

A **related person** generally includes any person who is related to you for purposes of sections 267 and 707(b). This includes, but is not limited to:

- A member of your family your brothers and sisters, half-brothers and half-sisters, spouse ancestors (parents, grandparents, etc.), lineal descendants (children, grandchildren, etc.), and the spouses of any of these persons.
- A corporation in which you, directly or indirectly, own more than 50% in value of the outstanding stock. See section 643(i)(2)(B). In addition, see the regulations pursuant to sections 267 and 707(b) for further guidance on related parties.

A **related foreign trust**. A person is related to a foreign trust if such person, without regard to the transfer at issue, is a grantor of the trust, a beneficiary of the trust, or is related to any grantor or beneficiary of the trust. See definition of a **related person** above.

A reportable event includes:

- ÿ1. The creation of a foreign trust by a U.S. person.
- ÿ2. The transfer of any money or property, directly or indirectly, to a foreign trust by a U.S. person, including a transfer by reason of death if:
- ÿa. The transfer was a **gratuitous transfer** (defined on page 2),

- ÿb. You received at least FMV for the property transferred and did not immediately recognize all of the gain (if any) on the property transferred, or
- ÿc. The transfer was to a related foreign trust.
- ÿ3. The death of a citizen or resident of the United States if:
- ÿa. The decedent was treated as the owner of any portion of a foreign trust under the grantor trust rules, or
- ÿb. Any portion of a foreign trust was included in the gross estate of the decedent.
- ÿ4. A trust that was not a foreign trust becomes a foreign trust.

Responsible party means:

- The transferor in the case of a **reportable event**. (defined above).
- The executor of the decedent's estate in any other case.

A **transfer** includes both direct and indirect transfers to a foreign trust. A transaction is considered a transfer without regard to whether the transferor receives consideration from the trust or whether the transfer constitutes a sale or exchange of the property to the trust.

The **transferor** is any person who:

- ÿ1. Creates or settles a foreign trust,
- ÿ2. Directly or indirectly transfers money or property to a foreign trust,
- ÿ3. Makes a sale to a foreign trust if the sale was at other than arm's-length terms or was to a related foreign trust, or makes (or guarantees) a loan to a related foreign trust.
- ÿ4. Is the executor of the estate of a U.S. person, and
- ÿa. The decedent made a testamentary transfer (a transfer by reason of death) to a foreign trust,
- ÿb. Immediately prior to death, the decedent was treated as the owner of any portion of a foreign trust under the grantor trust rules, or
- ÿc. Any portion of a foreign trust's assets were included in the estate of the decedent.
- ÿ5. In the case of a trust described in item 4 of the definition of **reportable event**:
- ÿa. If an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States transferred property to the trust when it was not a foreign trust, and that individual is alive when the trust becomes a foreign trust, that individual is the transferor (see section 679(a)(5)).
- ÿb. In all other events, the trust is the transferor.

Generally, the person defined as the transferor is the **responsible party** (defined above) who must ensure that required information be provided or pay appropriate penalties.

- A **U.S. agent** is a **U.S. person** (defined on page 4) that has a binding contract with a foreign trust that allows the U.S. person to act as the trust's authorized U.S. agent in applying sections 7602, 7603, and 7604 with respect to:
- Any request by the Service to examine records or produce testimony related to the proper U.S. tax treatment of amounts distributed by, or required to be taken into account under the grantor trust rules with respect to, a foreign trust, or
- Any summons by the Service for such records or testimony.

A U.S. grantor, a U.S. beneficiary, or a domestic corporation controlled by the grantor or beneficiary may act as a U.S. agent. However, you may not treat the

foreign trust as having a U.S. agent unless you enter the name, address, and taxpayer identification number of the U.S. agent on lines 3a through 3g. If the person identified as the U.S. agent does not produce records or testimony when requested or summonsed by the IRS, the IRS may redetermine the tax consequences of your transactions with the trust and impose appropriate penalties under section 6677.

The agency relationship must be established by the time the U.S. person files Form 3520 for the relevant taxable year and must continue as long as the statute of limitations remains open for the relevant taxable year. If the agent resigns, liquidates, or its responsibility as an agent of the trust is terminated, see Notice 97-34.

- A **U.S.** beneficiary includes any person that could possibly benefit (directly or indirectly) from the trust (including an amended trust) at any time, whether or not the person is named in the trust instrument as a beneficiary and whether or not the person can receive a distribution from the trust in the current year. In addition, a U.S. beneficiary includes:
- A foreign corporation that is a controlled foreign corporation (as defined in section 957(a)),
- A foreign partnership if a U.S. person is a partner of the partnership, and
- A foreign estate or trust if the estate or trust has a U.S. beneficiary.

A foreign trust will be treated as having a U.S. beneficiary unless the terms of the trust instrument specifically prohibit any distribution of income or corpus to a U.S. person at any time, even after the death of the U.S. transferor, and the trust cannot be amended or revised to allow such a distribution.

A U.S. person is:

- A citizen or resident alien of the United States (see Pub. 519, U.S. Tax Guide for Aliens, for guidance on determining resident alien status),
- A domestic partnership,
- A domestic corporation,
- Any estate (other than a foreign estate, within the meaning of section 7701(a)(31)), and
- Any trust if it is not a **foreign trust** (defined on page 2).

Penalties

A penalty generally applies if Form 3520 is not timely filed or if the information is incomplete or incorrect. Generally, the penalty is:

- ÿ1. 35% of the gross value of any property transferred to a foreign trust for failure by a U.S. transferor to report the transfer,
- ÿ2. 35% of the gross value of the distributions received from a foreign trust for failure by a U.S. person to report receipt of the distribution; or
- ÿ3. 5% of the amount of certain foreign gifts for each month for which the failure to report continues (not to exceed a total of 25%). See section 6039F(c).

In addition, if a foreign trust has a U.S. owner and the trust fails to file the required annual reports on trust activities and income, the U.S. owner is subject to a penalty equal to 5% of the gross value of the portion of the trust's assets treated as owned by the U.S. person (the gross reportable amount). See Form 3520-A.

Additional penalties may be imposed if noncompliance continues after the IRS mails a notice of failure to comply with required reporting. However, this penalty may not exceed the gross reportable amount. Also, penalties will only be imposed to the extent that the transaction is not reported. Thus, if a U.S. person transfers property worth \$1,000,000 to a foreign trust, but only reports \$400,000 of that amount, penalties could only be imposed on the unreported \$600,000.

For more information, see section 6677.

Reasonable cause. No penalties will be imposed if the taxpayer can demonstrate that the failure to comply was due to reasonable cause and not willful neglect.

Note: The fact that a foreign country would impose penalties for disclosing the required information is not reasonable cause. Similarly, reluctance on the part of a foreign fiduciary or provisions in the trust instrument that prevent the disclosure of required information, is not reasonable cause.

Who Must Sign

If the return is filed by an individual or a fiduciary, it must be signed by that individual or fiduciary. If it is filed by a partnership, it must be signed by a general partner or limited liability company member. If it is filed by a corporation, it must be signed by the president, vice president, treasurer, assistant treasurer, chief accounting officer, or other corporate officer (such as a tax officer) who is authorized to sign. The paid preparer must complete the required preparer information and:

- Sign the return, by hand, in the space provided for the preparer's signature (signature stamps are not acceptable).
- Give a copy of the return to the filer.

Identification Numbers and Addresses

Use social security numbers or individual taxpayer identification numbers to identify individuals. Use employer identification numbers to identify estates, trusts, partnerships, and corporations.

Include the suite, room, or other unit number after the street address. If the Post Office does not deliver mail to the street address and the U.S. person has a P.O. box, show the box number instead of the street address.

Foreign address. Enter the information in the following order: city, province or state, and country. Follow the country's practice for entering the postal code. Please do not abbreviate the country name.

Specific Instructions

See **Who Must File** for which parts of the form to complete. All filers must check any applicable box for initial, final, or amended return.

Initial return. If this is the first return you are filing with respect to the foreign trust identified, check the box for Initial return.

Final return. If you do not have to file any further returns for transactions with the foreign trust, check the box for Final return. For example, if you annually filed Part II, Form 3520 because you were the owner of the trust for U.S. income tax purposes and the trust has terminated within the taxable year, that year's return would be a final return with respect to that foreign trust.

Amended return. If this Form 3520 is filed to amend a Form 3520 that you filed previously, check the box for Amended return.

Line 1. This line identifies the U.S. person that is filing the Form 3520. If you and your spouse are both making transfers to the same trust and you file joint returns, you may file only one Form 3520. Put the names and taxpayer identification numbers in the same order as they appear on your Form 1040.

Line 3. If you know that the foreign trust has appointed a U.S. agent for purposes of section 6048(b), answer "Yes," and complete lines 3a through 3g. See definition of **U.S. agent** on page 3.

Line 4. If you are the executor of the estate of a U.S. citizen or resident, you must identify the decedent on this line.

Part I

Transfers by U.S. Persons to a Foreign Trust After August 20, 1996

Complete Part I for information on a **reportable event** (defined on page 3).

Line 5. If you are not the trust creator, enter the name of the person that created or originally settled the foreign trust.

Line 6. See the list of country codes on pages 11 and 12 of these instructions. If the country is not included in the list, write in "OC" for "other country" and write out the country name.

Note: If you are reporting multiple transfers to a single foreign trust and the answers to lines 7, 8, or 10 are different for various transfers, complete a separate line for each transfer on duplicate copies of the relevant pages of the form.

Line 7a. If "Yes," you must comply with the reporting requirements that would apply to a direct transfer to that other person. For example, if that other person is a foreign partnership, you must comply with the reporting requirements for transfers to foreign partnerships.

Line 8. If the transfer was a completed gift (see Regulations section 25.2511), or bequest, you may have to file **Form 706**, United States Estate (and Generation-Skipping Transfer) Tax Return, or **Form 709**, United States Gift (and Generation-Skipping Transfer) Tax Return.

Line 9. See definition of **U.S. beneficiary** on page 4. **Line 10.** If you are treated as the owner of any portion of the assets of a foreign trust under the grantor trust rules, answer "Yes" to this question.

- (a) If "Yes," you are not subject to the section 1491 excise tax as long as you are treated as the owner of the trust assets; and
- (b) do not answer lines 14a through 14c.

If "No," you may be subject to the section 1491 excise tax and you may have to file **Form 926**, Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation, Foreign Estate or Trust, or Foreign Partnership (see lines 14 and 23).

Schedule A Obligations of a Related Trust

Line 11b. The FMV of an obligation of the trust (or person related to the trust) that you receive in exchange for the transferred property equals zero, unless the obligation meets the requirements of a qualified obligation. See page 3 for definitions of **related foreign trust** and **qualified obligation**.

Lines 12 and 32. If you answered "Yes" to line 11b, (line 31, column (e)) with respect to any obligation, you generally must answer "Yes" to line 12 (line 32). By so doing, you agree to extend the period of assessment of any income or transfer tax attributable to the transfer and any consequential income tax changes for each year that the obligation is outstanding. This form will be deemed to be consented to and signed by the Service Center Director or the Assistant Commissioner (International) for purposes of Regulations section 301.6501(c)-1(d).

If you answer "No" to line 12 (line 32), you generally may not treat an obligation as a qualified obligation on line 11b (line 31, column (e)). The one exception to this is if the maturity date of the obligation does not extend beyond the end of your taxable year for which you are reporting and is paid within that taxable year.

Schedule B Gratuitous Transfers

Complete the applicable portions of Schedule B with respect to all **reportable events** (as defined on page 3), other than items **b** and **c** listed under item 2 of that definition, after August 20, 1996.

Note: If a **reportable event** causes you to be treated as the owner of any portion of the foreign trust under the grantor trust rules, you must also complete Part II of this form.

Line 13.

- In your description, indicate whether the property is tangible or intangible.
- You may aggregate transfers of cash during the year on a single line of line 13.
- If there is not enough space on the form, please attach a statement.
- If any transfers are reported on attachments, you must enter "Attachment" on one of the lines in column (b), and enter the total amount of transfers reported on the attachment on line 13, columns (c), (d), (e), (f), (h), and (i).

Note: Failure to report amounts that should be reported here, may cause penalties to be imposed. See item 1 of **Penalties** instructions on page 4.

Line 13, column (e), and line 22, column (e). Only include gain that is immediately recognized at the time of the transfer. Do not include gain that is recognized by reason of an election on lines 14 or 23.

Line 13, column (f) and line 22(f). Generally, if the reported transaction is a sale, you should report the gain on the appropriate form or schedule of your income tax return. If the amount in this column is greater than zero, you may owe excise tax under section 1491 (see lines 14 and 23 on page 6).

Note: If you are reporting multiple transfers to a single foreign trust on line 13, and the answers to lines 14a through 14c (or lines 23a through 23c) are different for

various transfers, complete a separate line for each transfer on duplicate copies of page 2 (or page 3 of this

Lines 14 and 23. You may be subject to the section 1491 excise tax if:

- Neither you nor any other person is treated as the owner of the transferred assets under the grantor trust rules,
- You do not immediately recognize all of the gain (if any) on the transferred property at the time of the transfer, and
- The transferee was not an exempt transferee.

You may avoid the section 1491 excise tax by:

- ÿ1. Electing on line 14b (or line 23b) to treat the transfer as a taxable exchange under section 1057, thereby recognizing all of the gain on the property, or
- Electing on line 14c (or line 23c) to make an election to apply principles similar to the principles of section 367.

The gain recognized pursuant to either of these elections must be reported on the appropriate form or schedule of your income tax return. If you do not make one of these elections and you owe excise tax under section 1491, you must file Form 926.

Lines 14a and 23a. An exempt transferee is:

- An organization that is exempt from income tax under section 501(a) (you must attach a copy of the IRS's determination letter), or
- An organization that is exempt from income tax under section 501(a), but its exemption has not been previously established. To establish the exemption, attach a statement describing the following:
- The character of the transferee and the purpose for ÿ1. which the transferee was organized,
- ÿ2. The activities of the transferee,
- ÿ3. The source and disposition of the income of the transferee.
- An explanation as to whether any of the transferee's income is credited to surplus or may benefit any private shareholder or individual; and
- All of the facts about the transferee's operations that affect its right to exemption.

Also attach a copy of the charter or the articles of incorporation, the by-laws, and the latest financial statement showing assets, liabilities, receipts, and disbursements of the transferee.

Lines 14b and 23b. If your transfer is subject to the 1491 excise tax, you may make an election under section 1057 to treat the transfer as a taxable exchange instead of paying the 35% excise tax. The section 1057 election may be made by answering "Yes" on line 14b or 23b, as applicable, but any amount recognized as a result of the election must be correctly reported on your income tax return in order for the election to be valid.

Lines 14c and 23c. If "Yes," attach a statement explaining the relevant principles of section 367 (including regulation cites) you are relying on, and how they specifically apply to the property transferred to the trust. The election may be made on an asset-by-asset basis. However, all applicable principles must be applied to each asset with respect to which an election has been made. Also, if "Yes," you will be treated as having elected the principles of section 367 before the transfer for purposes of section 1492(2)(B). In addition, you must comply with

all information reporting requirements under section 6038B.

Note: If a trust is engaged in an active trade or business. it ordinarily will not be classified as a trust under U.S. tax principles. See Regulations section 301.7701-4(a). Therefore, do not rely on the principles of Temporary Regulations section 1.367(a)-2T for transfers to foreign trusts.

Line 16. Enter the name, address, whether the person is a U.S. beneficiary (defined on page 4), and taxpayer identification number, if any, of all specified beneficiaries. Include specified beneficiaries, classes of discretionary beneficiaries, and names or classes of any beneficiaries that could be named as additional beneficiaries. If there is not enough space on the form, please attach a statement.

Line 18. Enter the name, address, and taxpayer identification number (if any) of any persons other than those listed on line 17, if those persons have significant powers over the trust (e.g., "protectors," "enforcers," any person that must approve of trustee decisions or otherwise direct the trustee, any person with a power of appointment, or any person with a power to remove or appoint trustees). Include a description of each person's power. If there is not enough space, please attach a statement.

Line 19. Attach:

- A summary of the terms of the trust that includes a summary of any oral agreements or understandings you have with the trustee, whether or not legally enforceable.
- A copy of all trust documents (and any revisions). including the trust instrument, any memoranda of wishes prepared by the trustees summarizing the settlor's wishes, any letter of wishes prepared by the settlor summarizing his/her wishes, and any similar documents.
- A copy of the trust's financial statements, including a balance sheet and an income statement. These financial statements must reasonably reflect the trust's accumulated income under U.S. income tax principles. For example, the statements must not treat capital gains as additions to trust corpus.

Schedule C FMV Transfers of Certain Appreciated **Property**

Use the schedule to report FMV transfers of appreciated property to a foreign trust that is not treated as owned by you or another person under the grantor trust rules if you did not immediately recognize all of the gain (if any) on the property transferred.

Line 22. See the instructions for line 13. Complete line 22 only with respect to the transfers for which you did not immediately recognize all of the gain.

Lines 23a, 23b, and 23c. See the instructions for lines 14a, 14b, and 14c above.

Schedule D **FMV Transfers of Other Property**

Use the schedule to report FMV transfers of money or other unappreciated property (or appreciated property where the full amount of the gain is recognized immediately) to a related foreign trust that is not treated as owned by you or another person under the grantor trust rules. See definition of **related foreign trust** on page 3.

Schedule E Qualified Obligations Outstanding in the Current Tax Year

Line 25. Provide information on the status of any outstanding obligation of the foreign trust (or a person related to the foreign trust) that you reported as a qualified obligation in the current tax year. This information is required in order to retain the obligation's status as a qualified obligation. If relevant, attach a statement describing any changes to the terms of the qualified obligation.

If the obligation fails to retain the status of a qualified obligation, you will be treated as having made a gratuitous transfer to the foreign trust, which must be reported on Schedule B. See Notice 97-34.

Part II U.S. Owner of a Foreign Trust

Complete Part II if you are considered the owner of any assets of a foreign trust under the grantor trust rules during the taxable year. You are required to enter a taxpayer identification number for such a foreign trust on line 2b.

Line 26. Enter information regarding any person other than yourself who is considered the owner of any portion of the trust under the grantor trust rules. Also, enter in column (e), the specific Code section that causes that person to be considered an owner for U.S. income tax purposes. See the grantor trust rules under sections 671 through 679.

Line 27. See the list of country codes on pages 11 and 12 of these instructions. If the country is not included in the list, write in "OC" for "other country" and write out the country name.

Line 28. If "Yes," the copy of the Foreign Grantor Trust Owner Statement should show the amount of the foreign trust's income that is attributable to you for U.S. income tax purposes. See Part IV of Notice 97-34.

If "No," pursuant to section 6677(b), you may be liable for a penalty of 5% of the trust assets that you are treated as owning, plus additional penalties for continuing failure to file after notice by the Secretary. See section 6677.

Line 29. Your gross reportable amount is the FMV of the trust assets that you are treated as owning. Include all assets at FMV as of the end of the taxable year. For this purpose, disregard all liabilities. The trust should send this information in connection with its Form 3520-A. If you did not receive such information from the trust, complete this line to the best of your ability. At a minimum, include the value of all assets that you have transferred to the trust.

Part III Distributions To a U.S. Person From a Foreign Trust After August 20, 1996

If you received an amount from a foreign trust of which you are treated as the owner and you have correctly reported any information required on Part II and the trust has filed a Form 3520-A with the IRS, do not separately disclose distributions again in Part III. If you received an amount from a foreign trust that would require a report

under both Parts III and IV (gifts and bequests) of Form 3520, report the amount only in Part III.

Line 30. Report any cash or property that you received (actually or constructively, directly or indirectly) after August 20, 1996, from a foreign trust, whether or not taxable, unless the amount is a loan to you from the trust that is to be reported on line 31. For example, if you are a partner in a foreign partnership that receives a distribution from a foreign trust, you must report your allocable share of such payment as an indirect distribution from the trust.

Line 31. If you, or a person related to you, received a loan from a related foreign trust, it will be treated as a distribution to you unless the obligation you issued in exchange is a qualified obligation.

For this purpose, a loan to you by an unrelated third party that is guaranteed by a foreign trust is generally treated as a loan from the trust.

Line 31, column (e). Answer "Yes" if your obligation given in exchange for the loan is a **qualified obligation** (defined on page 3).

Line 32. See instructions for line 12.

Line 33. Failure to report distributions that should be reported here, may cause penalties to be imposed.

See item 2 of Penalties instructions on page 4.

Line 34. Provide information on the status of any outstanding obligation to the foreign trust that you reported as a qualified obligation in the current tax year. This information is required in order to retain the obligation's status as a qualified obligation. If relevant, attach a statement describing any changes to the terms of the qualified obligation. If the obligation fails to retain the status of a qualified obligation, you will be treated as having received a distribution from the foreign trust, which must be reported in Part III. See Notice 97-34.

Lines 35 and 36. If any of the six items required for the Foreign Grantor Trust Beneficiary Statement or for the Foreign Nongrantor Trust Beneficiary Statement (see page 8) is missing, you must check "No" to line 35 or line 36, as applicable.

Also, if you answer "Yes" to line 35 or line 36, and the foreign trust or U.S. agent does not produce records or testimony when requested or summonsed by the IRS, the IRS may redetermine the tax consequences of your transactions with the trust and impose appropriate penalties under section 6677.

Line 35. If "Yes," attach the Foreign Grantor Trust Beneficiary Statement from the foreign trust and do not complete the remainder of Part III with respect to the distribution. A Foreign Grantor Trust Beneficiary Statement must contain six items:

- ÿ1. The first and last day of the taxable year of the foreign trust to which this statement applies.
- ÿ2. An explanation of the facts necessary to establish that the foreign trust should be treated for U.S. tax purposes as owned by another person. (The explanation should identify which Code section treats the trust as owned by another person.)
- ÿ3. A statement identifying whether the owner of the trust is: (a) an individual, corporation, partnership, or trust, and (b) a U.S. person or a foreign person.
- ÿ4. A description of property (including cash) distributed or deemed distributed to the U.S. person during the taxable year, and the FMV of the property distributed.

- ÿ5. A statement that the trust will permit either the IRS or the U.S. beneficiary to inspect and copy the trust's permanent books of account, records, and such other documents that are necessary to establish that the trust should be treated for U.S. tax purposes as owned by another person. This statement is not necessary if the trust has appointed a U.S. agent.
- ÿ6. A statement as to whether the foreign trust has appointed a **U.S. agent** (as defined on page 3). If the trust has a U.S. agent, include the name, address, and taxpayer identification number of the agent.
- **Line 36.** If "Yes," attach the Foreign Nongrantor Trust Beneficiary Statement from the foreign trust. A Foreign Nongrantor Trust Beneficiary Statement must include six items:
- ÿ1. An explanation of the appropriate U.S. tax treatment of any distribution or deemed distribution for U.S. tax purposes, or sufficient information to enable the U.S. beneficiary to establish the appropriate treatment of any distribution or deemed distribution for U.S. tax purposes.
- ÿ2. A statement that the trust will permit either the IRS or the U.S. beneficiary to inspect and copy the trust's permanent books of account, records, and such other documents that are necessary to establish the appropriate treatment of any distribution or deemed distribution for U.S. tax purposes. This statement is not necessary if the trust has appointed a U.S. agent.
- ÿ3. The Foreign Nongrantor Trust Beneficiary Statement must also include items 1, 3, 4, and 6, as listed for line 35 on page 7.

Schedule A Default Calculation of Trust Distributions

If "Yes" to line 36, you may complete either Schedule A or Schedule B. Generally, however, if you complete Schedule A in the current year, you must continue to do so for all future years, even if you are able to answer "Yes" to line 36 in that future year. (The only exception to this consistency rule is that you may use Schedule B in the year that a trust terminates, but only if you are able to answer "Yes" to line 36 in the year of termination.)

Line 37. Enter all distributions received during the **entire** tax year (i.e., before and after August 20, 1996), and not just those reported on line 33.

Line 38. To the best of your knowledge, state the number of years the trust has been in existence as a nongrantor trust and attach an explanation of your basis for this statement. Consider any portion of a year to be a complete year.

Line 39. Enter the total amount of distributions that you received during the 3 preceding tax years (or the number of years the trust has been a nongrantor trust, if less than 3). For example, if a trust distributed \$50 in year 1, \$120 in year 2, and \$150 in year 3, the amount reported on line 39 would be \$320 (\$50 + \$120 + \$150).

Line 41. Divide line 40 by 3 (or the number of years the trust has been a nongrantor trust if less than 3). Consider any portion of a year to be a complete year. For example, a nongrantor trust created on July 1, 1994, would be treated on a 1996 calendar year return as having two preceding years (1994 and 1995). In this case, you would calculate the amount on line 41 by dividing line 40 by 2. Do not disregard tax years in which no distributions were made. The IRS will consider your proof of these prior distributions as adequate records to demonstrate that any

distribution up to the amount on line 37 is not an accumulation distribution in the current taxable year.

Line 42. Enter this amount as ordinary income on your tax return. Report this amount on the appropriate schedule of your tax return (e.g., Schedule E (Form 1040), Part III.)

Note: If there is an amount on line 43, you must also complete line 44 and Schedule C to determine the amount of any interest charge you owe.

Schedule B Actual Calculation of Trust Distributions

You may only use Schedule B if:

- You answered "Yes" to line 36;
- You attach a copy of the Foreign Nongrantor Trust Beneficiary Statement to this return;
- You have never before used Schedule A for this foreign trust or this foreign trust terminated during the taxable year.

Line 45. Enter all amounts distributed or required to be distributed to you during the entire tax year (i.e., before and after August 20, 1996), and not just those reported on line 33.

Line 46. Enter the amount received by you from the foreign trust that is treated as ordinary income of the trust in the current tax year. Ordinary income is all income that is not capital gains.

Line 47. Enter the amount distributed to you that is treated as an accumulation distribution.

Line 48. Enter the amount distributed to you that is treated as capital gains of the trust in the current tax year.

Line 50. Enter any other distributed amount that is not included in lines 46, 47, 48, and 49.

Line 51. Enter the foreign trust's aggregate undistributed net income (UNI). For example, assume that a trust was created in 1990 and has made no distributions prior to 1996. Assume the trust's ordinary income was \$0 in 1995, \$60 in 1994, \$124 in 1993, \$87 in 1992, \$54 in 1991, and \$25 in 1990. Thus, for 1996, the trust's UNI would be \$350. If the trust earned \$100 and distributed \$200 during 1996, the trust's 1997 aggregate UNI would be \$250 (i.e., \$350 + \$100 - \$200).

Line 52. Enter the foreign trust's weighted undistributed net income (weighted UNI). The trust's weighted UNI is its accumulated income that has not been distributed, weighted by the years that it has accumulated income. To calculate weighted UNI, multiply the undistributed income from each of the trust's years by the number of years since that year, and then add each year's result. Using the example from line 51, the trust's weighted UNI in 1996 would be \$1,260, calculated as follows:

	No. of years since that year	UNI from each year	Weighted UNI
1995	1	\$0	\$9
1994	2	60	120
1993	3	124	372
1992	4	87	348
1991	5	54	270
1990	6	25	150
TOTAL		\$350	\$1,260

To calculate the trust's weighted UNI in 1997, the trust could repeat this calculation, or the weighted UNI shown on line 52 of the 1996 Form 3520 could simply be updated using the following formula:

- Begin with 1996 weighted UNI;
- Add UNI at the beginning of 1996;
- Add trust earnings in 1996;
- Subtract trust distributions in 1996; and
- Subtract weighted trust accumulated distributions in 1996. (Weighted trust accumulation distributions are the trust accumulation distributions in 1996 multiplied by the applicable number of years from 1996.)

Using the examples above, the trust's 1997 weighted UNI would be \$1,150, calculated as follows.

1996 weighted UNI	\$1,260	
UNI at beginning of 1996	+ 350	
Trust earnings in 1996	+ 100	
Trust distributions in 1996	- 200	
Weighted trust accumulation distributions in 1996 (100 X 3.6)	_ 360	
1997 weighted UNI		

Line 53. Calculate the trust's applicable number of years by dividing line 52 by line 51. Using the examples in the instructions for lines 51 and 52, the trust's applicable number of years would be 3.6 in 1996 (1,260/350) and 4.6 in 1997 (1,150/250).

Note: Include as many decimal places as there are digits in the UNI on line 51 (e.g., using the example in the instructions to line 51, include three decimal places).

Schedule C Calculation of Interest Charge

Complete Schedule C if you entered an amount on line 43 or line 47.

Line 55. Enter the amount from line 54 of this form on line 1, Form 4970. Then compute the partial tax on the total accumulation distribution using lines 1 through 28 of Form 4970. Enter on line 55 the partial tax from line 28 of Form 4970.

Note: Skip lines 29 and 30, Form 4970. Use Form 4970 as a worksheet and attach it to Form 3520.

Line 57. See Table B below and enter the corresponding interest rate.

▼able B

Combined Interest Rate Imposed on the Total Accumulation Distribution

Look up the applicable number of years of the foreign trust that you entered on line 56. Read across to find the combined interest rate to enter on line 57.

Applicable number of years (Line 56)		Combined interest rate
		(Enter on Line 57)
0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5		
		1.1400
	Less Tha Or Equal 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0 6.5 7.0 7.5 8.0 9.5 10.0 11.5 12.0 12.5 13.0 14.5 15.0 15.5 16.0 15.5 16.0 17.0 17.5 18.0 17.5 18.0 18.5	Less Than Or Equal To 0.5

(Note: Interest charges began In 1977)

Line 59. Report this amount as additional tax (ADT), on the appropriate line of your income tax return (e.g., for Form 1040 filers, include this amount on line 51 of your 1996 Form 1040). Write "ADT" to the left of the line 51 entry space.

Part IV

U.S. Recipients of Gifts or Bequests Received After August 20, 1996, From Foreign Persons

Note: Failure to report gifts that should be reported, may cause penalties to be imposed. See item **3** of **Penalties** instructions on page 4.

Only include gifts received after August 20, 1996. A gift to a U.S. person does not include any amount paid for qualified tuition or medical payments made on behalf of the U.S. person.

If a foreign trust makes a distribution to a U.S. beneficiary, the beneficiary is to report the amount as a distribution in Part III, rather than as a gift in Part IV.

Contributions of property by foreign persons to domestic or foreign trusts that have U.S. persons as beneficiaries are not reportable by those beneficiaries unless they are treated as receiving the contribution in the year of the transfer (e.g., the beneficiary is an owner of that portion of the trust under section 678).

A domestic trust that is not treated as owned by another person is required to report the receipt of a gift or bequest from a foreign person under Part IV.

A domestic trust that is treated as owned by a foreign person is not required to report the receipt of a contribution to the trust from a foreign person. However, a U.S. person should report the receipt of a distribution from such a trust as a gift from a foreign person under Part IV.

Line 60. To calculate the threshold amount (\$100,000), you must aggregate gifts from different foreign nonresident aliens and foreign estates if you know (or have reason to know) that those persons are related to each other or one is acting as the nominee for the other. For example, if you receive a gift of \$75,000 from nonresident alien individual A and a gift of \$40,000 from nonresident alien individual B, and you know that A and B are related, you must answer "Yes" and complete columns (a) through (c) for each gift.

Line 61. Answer "Yes" if: you received aggregate amounts in excess of \$10,000 after August 20, 1996, that you treated as gifts from foreign corporations or foreign partnerships (or any persons that you know (or have reason to know) are related to such foreign corporations or foreign partnerships).

For example, if you, after August 20, 1996, received \$5,000 from foreign corporation X that you treated as a gift, and \$8,000 that you received from nonresident alien A that you treated as a gift, and you know that X is wholly owned by A, you must complete columns (a) through (g) for each gift.

Note: Gifts from foreign corporations or foreign partnerships are subject to recharacterization by the IRS under section 672(f)(4).

Line 62. If "Yes," and the ultimate donor on whose behalf the reporting donor is acting is a foreign corporation or foreign partnership, attach an explanation including the ultimate foreign donor's name, address, identification number (if any), and status as a corporation or partnership.

If the ultimate donor is a foreign trust, treat the amount received as a distribution from a foreign trust and complete Part III.

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Country Codes

EG Egypt ES El Salvador..... Enter on lines 6a, 6b, and line 27, columns (a) and (b) the codes Equatorial Guinea ΕK from the list below. Eritrea..... ER Country Estonia ΕN Afghanistan AF ET Ethiopia Albania AL Europa Island..... EU Algeria AG Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas)..... FK American Samoa..... AQ Faroe Islands FO Andorra..... AN FJ Fiji...... Angola AΩ FΙ Finland..... Anguilla..... ΑV FR France AY Antarctica French Guiana FG AC Antigua and Barbuda French Polynesia FP AR Argentina FS French Southern and Antarctic Lands Armenia AM GB Gabon..... AA Aruba..... GΑ Gambia, The Ashmore and Cartier Islands AT GΖ Gaza Strip AS Australia Georgia..... GG Austria ΑU GM Germany..... Azerbaijan ΑJ Ghana..... GH PO Azores Gibraltar..... GΙ BF Bahamas, The..... GO Glorioso Islands Bahrain BA GR Greece..... Baker Island FQ Greenland..... GL Bangladesh BG Grenada GJ BB Barbados Guadeloupe..... GP Bassas da India BS Guam..... GQ ВО Belarus GT Guatemala..... Belgium BE GK Guernsey..... BH Belize..... Guinea GV Benin BN PU Guinea-Bissau..... BD Bermuda..... GY Guyana..... Bhutan BT Haiti HA Bolivia..... BL Heard Island and McDonald Islands..... HM Bosnia-Herzegovina..... BK HO Honduras..... BC Botswana..... Hong Kong HK Bouvet Island R\/ HO Howland Island..... BR Brazil Hungary..... HU British Indian Ocean Territory..... 10 IC Iceland..... Brunei BX IN India..... Bulgaria BU ID Indonesia..... Burkina Faso..... UV Iran **IR** Burma..... BM ΙZ Iraq Burundi BY Ireland ΕI CB Cambodia..... Isle of Man IM CM Cameroon..... Israel..... IS Canada..... CA IT Italy..... SP Canary Islands JM Jamaica Cape Verde CV JN Jan Mayen..... CJ Cayman Islands Japan..... JΑ Central African Republic CT JE Jersev...... CD Chad..... Johnston Atoll..... JQ Chile CI JO Jordan China, People's Republic of..... CH Juan de Nova Island...... JU KT Christmas Island (Indian Ocean) ΚZ Kazakhstan..... Clipperton Island IΡ Kenya ΚE Cocos (Keeling) Islands CK KQ Kingman Reef Colombia CO Kiribati KR CN Comoros..... Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North) KN CF Congo..... Korea, Republic of (South) KS Cook Islands CW Kuwait..... KU Coral Sea Islands Territory..... CR Kyrgyzstan..... KG VΡ Corsica LA Laos..... CS Costa Rica..... LG Latvia..... Cote D'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)..... I٧ LE Lebanon HR Croatia..... LT Lesotho..... CU Cuba..... Liberia..... LI Cyprus CY Libya..... LY Czech Republic..... ΕZ LS Liechtenstein Denmark..... DA LH Lithuania..... DJ Djibouti LU Luxembourg DO Dominica MC Macau..... DR Dominican Republic MK Macedonia.....

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Maldives	MV	Senegal	SG
Mali	ML	Serbia	SR
Malta	MT	Seychelles	SE
Marshall Islands	RM	Sierra Leone	SL
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Martinique	MB	Singapore	_
Mauritania	MR	Slovakia	LO
Mauritius	MP	Slovenia	SI
Mayotte	MF	Solomon Islands	BP
Mexico	MX	Somalia	SO
Micronesia, Federated States of	FM	South Africa	SF
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Mongolia	MG	Sri Lanka	CE
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Montserrat	MH	Suriname	NS
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Pakistan	PK	Uganda	UG
Palau, Republic of	PS	Ukraine	UP
Palmyra Atoll	LQ	United Arab Emirates	TC
Panama	PM	United Kingdom	UK
Papua New Guinea	PP	United States of America	US
Paracel Islands	PF	Uruguay	UY
Paraguay	PA	Uzbekistan	UZ
Peru	PE	Vanuatu	NH
Philippines	RP	Vatican City	VT
Pitcairn Island	PC	Venezuela	VE
Poland	PL	Vietnam	VM
Portugal	PO	Virgin Islands (British)	VI
Puerto Rico	RQ	Virgin Islands (U.S.)	VQ
Qatar	QÃ	Wake Island	WQ
Reunion	RE	Wallis and Futuna	WF
Romania	RO	West Bank	WE
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